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Material Flux Of Continuous Cast Slabs

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Prior to examination of the above-identified application please amend the  
application as follows:

**In the Specification:**

On page 1, line 3, delete "Description" and insert -- BACKGROUND OF THE

INVENTION

1. Field of the Invention--;

After line 8, starting its own line add